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Sd 114 No 156 19.7.23

To Mr. Syed Abdul Rashed, Anjuman-e-Mahadawat Channapatna

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Acknowledge the receipt of this letter referred to above.

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12	Letter dated 16.7.23 from Syed Abdul Rasheed, Channapatna. Forwards for the consideration of Govt. his views on the proposals of the Reforms Committee. This was received this morning. The time for submitting representations was up to 16th July 1923. Orders are solicited as to whether this requires the acknowledged. A Summary of the representation is however put up. Bangalore 17.7.23. Mysore acknowledged. Since the representation was sent on 16th/17th. RR 18/7.
	Bangalore 18.7.23. Issued. RR 19/7.
14	Syed Abdul Rasheed Sahib. Anjumanate-Mahdavia. Siarat-ul-Islam Channapatna. Letter No 156 dated 16/7/23. Acknowledges the receipt of his letter referred to above. Put up as per orders above. A Summary is also put up. 18/7

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Please prepare a typed copy with my remarks.

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انجمن محمدیہ دائرۃ الاسلام چن پٹن علاقہ سرکار میسور

Anjuman-e-Mahdavia,
Dairat-ul-Islam,

CHANNAPATNA, 16th July 1923
(Mysore Province)

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۲۱. انجمن مہدویہ ,, ,,

To

The Chief Secretary
Government of Mysore
Bangalore.

Sir,

I desire to place my views regarding the proposals of Seals Committee for the kind Consideration of Government and beg to enclose a copy of:

I beg to remain
Sir,
Your most obedient
Servant

(sd) Syed Abdul Rashad

KSHEERA SAGARA PRESS, BANGALORE CITY.

To

The Chief Secretary

Government of Mysore

Bangalore.

Sir,

On behalf of Anjuman-E-Mahdavia

I beg to offer our humble homage of loyalty

and gratitude to His Highness the Maharaja

for having graciously inaugurating a

Scheme of administrative reforms, and

beg to assure His Highness and His Highness

decision would be wholeheartedly welcomed

by all loyal Mussalmans Subjects of His

State. In the following few lines I beg to

place my views regarding the proposals of

Dr Seal's Committee.

The report of the Committee is very

Cautious and halting, and its recommen-

dations are not justified, if we have

regard to the fact that the Assembly is in

existence for about forty years and people

are sufficiently trained for handling the

administration of the State. The

Committee's proposal that we have

to wait for Complete mass education and

general political training before the Representative Assembly can be trusted with further power is inconsistent with political History of institutions both in India and Europe. The Representative Assembly should be the only popular body in the State, and its Strength should not be reduced below 250.

The Legislative Council of it should exist as a Separate body should have half its members elected from the Representative Assembly, or the same number of members Should be elected by primary election through the general electorate and Muslim electorate

The Representative Assembly must be an initiative and referendum body, and Legislative Council, a Committee of the Assembly.

All Money bills and public bills must be initiated in the Assembly

The power of certification or veto must rest with the Sovereign and not with the executive Council.

Every resolution on budget carried by

by the Representative Assembly should be binding on the Government, subject to the veto by the Sovereign.

Special electorate should be created for Mahamedans both in Representative Assembly and Legislative Council, and their number in the Assembly may be fixed in the same proportion as in Madras Legislative Council, and their number in the Legislative Council may be fixed as five. Though the learned members of Seal Committee do not agree to the proposal of a separate electorate for Mahamedans and treat them with other minorities, in Hindu community, I beg to state that Case of Muslim minority is not the same as that of other minorities. Mahamedans as a whole desire to have a separate entity, and as such they have special interests of their own. In this days of political consciousness there is no possibility of their being elected by a general electorate, and some of the learned members of Seal Committee are of the same opinion

As such it is essential that to represent Muslim interests, some way should be found. The Montagu-Chelmsford report bears testimony to the need of a separate electorate for Mussalman of British India, and the British parliament has accordingly accepted the Lucknow Congress of League pact, so amicably arrived at between Mussalmans and Hindus of India.

In Case of a separate electorate for Mohamedans not being accepted I pray that at least 35 Seats of 250 Seats in the Assembly and 5 Seats in the Legislative Council be allotted for Mohamedans and by means of Associations these Seats can be filled up. Till the Associations are organised throughout the State, Government may Kindly nominate these member for the Assembly, of Course for the remaining Seats out of the alloted number, after allowing for the existing associations.

I further beg to state that Muslim Associations in the State may Kindly be empowered to elect the alloted number of members to the Legislative Council in Case

Case of claims of Mussalmans for a separate electorate be not recognised.

Freedom of Speech and absolute privilege for putting interpellations and resolutions be granted to members of R. Assembly and L. Council. Also the said members must be immune from arrest in execution of civil process when they discharge their duties.

15th July 1923
Anjuman-E-Mahdaniah
Chamarpatna

I beg to remain
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant

MR. SYED ABDUL RASHEED.

Summary of representation.	Remarks.	Orders of Government.
Strength of the Representative Assembly.		
The strength should not be reduced below 250.	Will not be reduced.	
Representative Assembly-place in the Constitution & power.		
Disapproved of the reason assigned by the Committee for not trusting the Representative Assembly with greater power.	No remarks.	
It must be an initiative and referendum body.	Just what the R.T. will be.	
Strength and composition of the Legislative Council.		
If it should exist as a separate body should have half its members elected from the Representative Assembly, or the same number of members should be elected by primary elections through general and muslim constituencies.	Not feasible under the Constitution proposed by the ~~Committee~~ Committee.	
It should be a Committee of the Representative Assembly.		
Representative Assembly and Legislative measures.		
All money bills and public bills must be initiated in the Assembly.	This is the intention as far as possible.	
Voting on demands for grants.		
The power of certification or restoration must rest with the Soveriegn and not with the Executive Council.	Undesirable that His Highness should directly exercise this power. The Government represents His Highness and do the needful.	
Resolutions on Budget.		
The resolutions of the Representative Assembly should be binding on the Government subject to the veto by the Sovereign.	Decided that the Legislative Council vote is should have the effect of recommendation. is binding.	
Electorates for Representative Assembly and Legislative Council.		
Pleads for special electorates for Mohamadans and fixing the number of seats as in Madras, ~~to them~~. The number of seats to be reserved in the Legislative Council for muslims may be fixed as five. Muslims should not be classified with minorities.	A certain number of seats are reserved for the Mohamadans both in the Representative Assembly and the Legislative Council.	
If separate electorates cannot be provided prays that 35 out of 250 seats may be reserved in the Representative Assembly and 5 seats in the Legislative Council for muslims to be returned through associations or by nominations till the associations are formed.	This is too many. 15 and 2 are reserved.	
Rules of business in the Representative Assembly and the Legislative Council.		
There should be freedom of speech and immunity from arrest while discharging the function as a member.	There is no restriction now. The President intervenes only when members go beyond bounds.	

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Date of issue 19. 7. 23.

Signed by Mr. R. R.

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No. 156.

To

Mr. Syed Akbal Rashid Sahib

Anjuman-e-Tahdavia

Dairat-ul-Islam. Cheruvattoor.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 16.7.23 forwarding your views on the proposals of the Reforms Committee

I have etc

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for Chief Secy

18.7.23

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